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Winter 2009/2010 Dec. 2009 Jan., Feb. 2010

AND THE WINNERS ARE

The Town of Delmar, Maryland held its' General Election on November 17, 2009. **Mayor P. Douglas Niblett**, Delmar, Maryland's longest running Mayor, defeated challenger Thomas John McGuire by a vote count of 104 – 70. This represented approximately 11 % of the registered voters for Delmar, Maryland. Mayor Niblett's term expires in 2011.

Commissioners Carl Anderton, Sr. and Carrie Williams ran unopposed and were reelected for another four-year term, expiring in 2013.

All the winners were sworn in at an Oath of Office Ceremony during the Joint Council meeting, held on Monday, November 30, 2009.

Congratulations to all our winners.

A Government Program Making a Difference in Our Community

The Town of Delmar once again is pleased to announce that the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, Division of Neighborhood Revitalization has awarded it a \$165,000.00 Community Development Bock Grant (CDBG) funds to assist with the rehabilitation of nine houses located in Delmar, MD. CDBG, an Owner Occupied Residential Program targeted to assist low to moderate income residents (income scale determined by Congress for each state) to rehabilitate their permanent residence to acceptable code standards where substandard conditions exist. The work will be done by qualified licensed contractors and performed in accordance with the Procurement Policy Guidelines and Procedures of the Town of Delmar and the regulations of HUD and the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development.

Grant funding in Maryland is only made available every two years. The next CDBG Housing Rehabilitation funding round will not be submitted for consideration until 2011. However, this office will take applications from prospective candidates and create a waiting list for the next funding round. Potential candidates are evaluated for participation in the program on a first come, first serve basis.

The State of Delaware, Sussex County is also a CDBG participant. Delaware's funding round is granted annually. This office is accepting applications from potential Delaware candidates for the next funding round.

Program requirements and qualifications as well as applications for both Maryland and Delaware residents living within the Town limits are available at Town Hall, 100 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Delmar, MD 21875 by contacting William Hardin, Community Development Coordinator at 410-896-2777 ext. 103, Monday – Friday, 8:15 AM- 4:30 PM. Any person residing outside Delmar Town limits in Wicomico County should contact the office of Lori Carter, Wicomico County Planning, Zoning and Community Development at 410-548-4860 for assistance. Those persons living outside Town limits in Sussex County should contact the office of William Lecates, Community Development & Housing at 302-855-7777.

ENTER Maryland Municipal League's (MML) 2010 MAYOR'S CONTEST

- 1) The contest is open to all Maryland students enrolled in the 4th grade during the 2009-2010 school year.
- 2) Essays must address the subject with the opening line beginning: "If I Were Mayor, I Would..."
- 3) Essays may not exceed 275 words.
- 4) Only one essay may be submitted per student.
- 5) Essays will be judged by contest sponsors in the following areas: essay relation to contest topic; displayed knowledge about municipal government and the role of a mayor; creativity; and proper use of grammar.
- 6) Students must include their first and last names, school and teacher's name at the top of their essays.
- 7) Essays must be received no later than April 1, 2010. Winners will be notified by the end of April 2010.
- 8) Sometime during the month of May, the 11 regional winners along with their parents and teachers will be recognized during a Mayor's Essay Contest Awards Ceremony in Annapolis. In honor of the 10th Anniversary of the Contest, one grand prize winner will be selected from among the 11 regional winners and will receive special recognition at the Annapolis Awards Ceremony and during MML's annual educational convention in Ocean City, Maryland. Being a Mayor is a big job and city and town governments often rely on community

volunteers to help provide services and improve the lives of their citizens. Becoming a community volunteer is a great way for citizens to learn about their local government, practice teamwork, and discover that they have talents and abilities that can be used to help make their city or town a better place to live, work, and play. Contest theme: Using Community

Volunteers

Look around your community. If you were Mayor:

- 1) How would you get citizens to volunteer?
- 2) What jobs would you give them?
- 3) In what way would you thank your volunteers that would also encourage them to volunteer again in the future? Submission forms are available at Town Hall.



Contest sponsored by the Maryland Municipal League in partnership with the Maryland Mayor's Association and Injured Worker's Insurance Fund, Local Government Insurance Trust and the Maryland Center for the Study of History & Civic Education.

Breakfast With Santa

On December 12, 2009,
Santa will be visiting the
Delmar Fire Department
and will be having breakfast
with anyone who would
want to visit him. Breakfast is FREE and
will be from 8:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.

DELMARVA MODEL RAILROAD CLUB OPEN HOUSE

The Delmarva Model Railroad is in its 25th year. Approximately 40 members prepare all

year long for the Open House. The show will feature six miniature railroad setups: HO gauge, O gauge, N gauge,



Lionel trains, and Thomas the Tank Engine and his friends. This year's display will feature about 25% more scenes than last year.

The Open House hours are as follows: Saturday & Sunday Nov. 28 & 29 Saturday & Sunday Dec. 5 & 6 Saturday & Sunday Jan. 9 & 10 Saturday & Sunday Jan. 16 & 17 Saturday hours: 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sunday hours: 12 NOON – 5:00 p.m.

WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE LIBRARY??

• Children story time is every Wednesday morning at 10AM

Dec. 3- Movie Night 6:30 PM - to be announced

Dec. 8- Painting Group 6:00 PM

Dec. 10- Christmas at the Library 6:30 PM. Presentation of SCROOGE

Dec. 15- Mad Hatters Knitting Group 6:30 PM

Dec. 12th- Santa visits the Library

Dec. 24 & 25- Library will be closed

Jan. 1- Library will be closed

Jan. 6- AARP Program "A Matter of Balance" every Wednesday in Jan.

& Feb. 1-3 PM

Jan. 7- Movie Night 6:30 PM

Jan. 13- AARP Program 1-3 PM

Jan 18- Library will be closed

Jan. 20- AARP Program 1-3 PM

Jan. 27th- AARP Program 1-3 PM

Feb. 1-6 National Gumball Week-Guess the number of gum balls and take the machine home.

Feb. 3- AARP Program 1-3 PM

Feb. 10- AARP Program 1-3 PM

Feb. 11- Folk Heroes "Valentine Music" 7 PM

DELMAR MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Dec. 3- Mid Term 2

MS Band Concert 7 PM

Dec. 10- HS Chorus Concert 7 PM

Dec. 15- HS Band Concert 7 PM

Dec. 17- MS Chorus Concert 7 PM

Dec. 18- Students dismissed 11:45 AM

Dec. 22-31- Winter Break School Closed

Jan. 1- Winter Break School Closed

Jan 12-15- Exam Week Students Dismissed 11:45 AM

Jan. 15- End Term 2

Jan 18- School Closed

Jan. 22- Report Cards Distributed

Jan. 25- Teacher In-service Day- No School for students

Feb 12- SGA Talent Show 7 PM

Jan 15- School Closed

TOWN HALL HOLIDAY CLOSING

<u>Dec. 24 & 25</u> (Thurs. & Fri) Christmas Holiday

Jan. 1, 2010 (Fri) New Year's Day Jan. 18, 2010 (Mon) Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

HOLIDAY MEETING SCHEDULE CHANGES

Below are the holiday meeting schedules for the month of December:

Planning & Zoning- Thursday, Dec. 17, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Public Works- Monday, Dec. 21, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

Utility Commission- Monday, Dec. 21, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

Joint Council- Monday, Dec. 21, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Holiday Gift Ideas!!!

FOR SALE

The Sesquicentennial Committee would like everyone to know that there are still plenty of souvenir items for sale. Tee Shirts (all sizes) \$10.00, Paw Print Dog Tags \$5.00, Sesquicentennial Booklet \$3.50, cosmetic and shaving permits \$5.00. These items can be picked up at Town Hall.

The Delmar Lions Club is sponsoring a Delmar Longaberger Basket Sale. The wooden lid is engraved with our trademark Wildcat and the word "DELMAR". The orange and blue accent ribbon circling the basket is adorned with pewter-like "paws". The inside of the basket is all wicker with no lining.

The Longaberger Basket can be purchased separately for \$49.00. The basket with Lid can be purchased for \$79.00. The Basket along with the order form are available at Town hall. Payment needs to be made when placing the order. Make checks payable to "Delmar Lions Club". Contact Mildred Riley with any questions at 302-846-3846.

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